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11. (SBU) On January 6, 2007 Post received the following diplomatic note from the Ministry of Foreign Affairs regarding the addition of Lashkar al-Taiba to the UN 1267 Sanctions list of individuals/entities associated with Usama bin Laden, the Taliban or Al Qaida.

Complimentary opening --

The Ministry wishes to refer to the Embassy's diplomatic note no 2272, dated May 7, 2006 regarding the addition of Lashkar al-Taiba to the UN 1267 list of entities and individuals subject to sanctions. The U.S. Government requested that the Saudi Government take the necessary measures to ensure that funds and resources are not made available to this group, which includes freezing its assets.

The Ministry wishes to inform the Embassy that Lashkar al-Taiba has no financial activities in Saudi Arabia. In light of our ongoing cooperation, the Government of Saudi Arabia intends to freeze this group's assets should it conduct transactions in the Kingdom.

Complimentary closing -- OBERWETTER